Draft Action Plan for the Community of Crossett Ashley County, Arkansas

Proposed Next Steps for EPA, ADEQ, and ADH

Long-Term Goals of EPA, ADEQ, and ADH:

- [1] To respond to and address environmental issues raised by the community;
- [2] To help the community become aware of, and how to access, publically-available environmental data and information relating to land, air and water quality;
- [3] To help the community become aware of, and get involved in, the environmental permit decisions that impact them.

Proposed Joint Actions for EPA/ADEQ:

- 1] Identify all federal and or state permitted facilities near Crossett that may impact air, land or water quality (i.e. major and minor air and water sources, solid waste facilities, etc.);
- 2] For each facility identified above, determine permit renewal cycle and timeline for potential public awareness or involvement.
- 3] Work with GP and ADH to determine if data from earlier hydrogen sulfide monitoring at the facility will be shared to assist the community.

Proposed Next Steps for EPA:

- 1] Share results from the March 2014 TRI inspection with the State and community;
- 2] Work with GP to evaluate their willingness to place and maintain an air quality monitoring station [specific to Hydrogen Sulfide] close to or within the community by September 2014;
- 3] Verify status of Crossett area LEPC and explore if Superfund can provide training/assistance;
- 4] Verify GP compliance with RMP requirements and evaluate the need for an inspection.

Proposed Next Steps for ADEQ:

- 1] Take the lead in future community involvement activities, including meetings, responding to citizen inquiries, training, etc.;
- 2] Provide information on impaired surface waters in the Crossett area and impacts to the community;
- 3] Coordinate with ADH to ensure residents know how Consumer Confidence Reports are distributed and how to access them online, if applicable;
- 4] Work with ADH to continue to respond to any resident concerns about drinking water;
- 5] Provide information to the community on the Use Attainability Analysis process and public participation opportunities for Coffee Creek and Mossy Lake; notify the community if it does not intend to change the stream use designation;
- 6] Take the lead for investigating allegations of improper waste disposal if additional information is received;
- 7] Coordinate with ADH and ATSDR as they complete a health consultation document for Crossett and the GP facility; assist in the communication of all findings with the community.
- 8] Work with ADH to conduct outreach and events to promote awareness of community health issues, such as cancer, stroke, etc.
- 9] Keep EPA apprised of the status of issues/progress.

Proposed Next Steps for ADH:

- 1] Coordinate with ADEQ to ensure residents know how Consumer Confidence Reports are distributed and how to access them on-line, if applicable;
- 2] Work with ADEQ to continue to respond to any resident concerns about drinking water;

- 3] Coordinate with ADEQ and ATSDR as it completes a health consultation document for Crossett and the GP facility; communicate all findings to the community;
- 4] Conduct outreach and events to promote awareness of community health issues, such as cancer, stroke, etc.